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The Gift of Forgiveness

Baba: Mansoor, Allah teaches us to be kind and forgiving, especially in difficult situations. Do you remember the verse about divorce where Allah says we should be merciful?

Mansoor: Yes, Baba! Allah says if a man divorces a woman before touching her, and he's already promised her something, he should give half of it unless she or he forgives the amount.

Baba: Exactly. Let me tell you about a man named Imran and his wife, Laila. They had married, but after some time, they realized they were not a good match. They had not yet been intimate, and they hadn't lived together for long.

Mansoor: So, what did they do, Baba?

Baba: Imran, following the teachings of Allah, knew he was supposed to give Laila a portion of the mahr he had promised her. However, Laila was a kind and wise woman. She didn't want to hold onto something that would make Imran feel burdened. So, she decided to forgive him and let him keep the mahr.

Mansoor: That's very kind of Laila, Baba!

Baba: Yes, Mansoor. But it wasn't just Laila who showed kindness. Imran, too, was grateful for her generosity. He respected her decision and did not demand anything from her either. In this way, both of them showed forgiveness and mercy, following Allah's guidance.

Mansoor: So, they didn't need to give the full mahr?

Baba: Correct. Because of Laila's forgiveness, she chose to release him from the full obligation. Imran, too, did not demand anything, which brought them closer to righteousness. Their kindness towards each other and their ability to forgive showed that they both had strong faith in Allah.

Mansoor: It sounds like they both did what was best for each other, Baba.

Baba: Yes, Mansoor. Allah teaches us that forgiveness and kindness are the best paths, especially when we face challenging moments. When we let go of grudges and show mercy, it makes us closer to Allah.

Mansoor: I'll remember this, Baba. It's better to forgive and be kind.

Baba: That's right, Mansoor. Always remember, being kind and forgiving will bring us closer to Allah, and that is the best thing we can do.

The Importance of Prayer

Baba: Mansoor, do you know how important it is to keep our prayers, especially the middle one, the Asr prayer?

Mansoor: Yes, Baba! Allah tells us to be careful with all of our prayers, but the middle prayer is especially important.

Baba: Exactly. Let me tell you a story about a man named Yusuf. He was very busy with his work, but he always made sure not to miss any of his prayers, no matter how busy he was.

Mansoor: What happened to Yusuf, Baba?

Baba: One day, while Yusuf was working, he got caught up in a big task that was about to take longer than expected. It was almost time for the Asr prayer, but Yusuf was worried he might miss it. He quickly remembered what Allah had said: "Maintain with care the obligatory prayers, and especially the middle prayer."

Mansoor: Did he miss it, Baba?

Baba: No, Mansoor. Yusuf remembered the verse and immediately stopped his work. He quickly performed the Asr prayer, even if it meant taking a short break from his work. He knew that standing before Allah in prayer was more important than anything else.

Mansoor: That's a good decision! Allah must have been happy with him.

Baba: Yes, Allah was pleased with Yusuf because he prioritized his worship above everything else. He stood before Allah with devotion and obedience. This is what we are taught in the Qur'an—to never neglect our prayers, especially the middle prayer, and to remain devoted in our worship.

Mansoor: So, we should always make sure to pray on time and never forget, especially the Asr prayer!

Baba: Absolutely, Mansoor. Just like Yusuf, we must make prayer a priority. It is through our prayers that we show our devotion to Allah. And remember, Allah is always pleased with those who obey Him and take their worship seriously.

Prayer in Times of Danger

Baba: Mansoor, have you ever thought about what we should do if we are in danger or fear for our safety?

Mansoor: I think we should try to stay safe, Baba. But, can we still pray if we're in danger?

Baba: That's a very good question, Mansoor. Allah has told us in the Qur'an that if we are afraid, we should still pray, even if we have to pray standing, walking, or riding. He wants us to remember Him, even in the most difficult times.

Mansoor: Really, Baba? Even if we are running away from something dangerous?

Baba: Yes, even then. Let me tell you a story about a time when the Prophet Muhammad (PBUH) and his companions were in a difficult situation. They were traveling, and suddenly, they were surrounded by danger. The enemies were near, and they couldn't pray in the usual way.

Mansoor: That sounds scary, Baba. How did they pray?

Baba: The Prophet (PBUH) taught his companions to pray while they were standing, walking, or even riding their horses to remain connected with Allah. Even when they couldn't perform the prayer in the usual way, they remembered Allah as much as they could. And when they were safe, they prayed normally, with full peace.

Mansoor: So, even in times of fear, we should still pray in any way we can?

Baba: Yes, Mansoor. Allah says in the Qur'an that when we are afraid, we can pray in any way, whether standing, walking, or riding. But when we are safe again, we should remember Allah in the way He has taught us. This is a reminder that we should always keep our connection to Allah, no matter what happens.

Mansoor: So, prayer is really important, no matter what?

Baba: Exactly! Prayer is our way to stay close to Allah, and even in the most difficult times, we should never forget to pray. Allah has taught us everything we need to know, and we must use that knowledge to worship Him, even in the toughest situations.

The Right of the Widow

Baba: Mansoor, do you know that when someone passes away, they still have responsibilities for their loved ones, especially for their wives?

Mansoor: What do you mean, Baba? How can someone take care of someone else after they've passed away?

Baba: That's a very thoughtful question, Mansoor. Allah has made a way to care for the wives of those who have passed on. He says that after a man dies, his wife should be provided for, for a whole year. The husband's family is responsible for ensuring that she is taken care of, and she should not be forced to leave her home during that time.

Mansoor: So, even after someone is gone, their family must look after their wife?

Baba: Yes, Mansoor. This is part of the kindness and respect that Allah has ordered. The wife is allowed to live in her home for a year after her husband's death, and she should be given her due maintenance without being pressured to leave. If she decides to leave earlier, that is her choice, and no one should stop her.

Mansoor: What if the wife wants to leave before the year is over? Does she still need to be taken care of?

Baba: No, Mansoor. If the wife chooses to leave earlier, then there is no blame on anyone. But whatever the situation, Allah tells us that everything should be done in a good and respectful way, with kindness and understanding.

Mansoor: So, Allah wants us to take care of the widows and treat them kindly, right?

Baba: Exactly. Allah has made sure that those who are left behind are taken care of, and He commands us to do it in the best manner. Allah is Wise, and He knows what's best for us. When we follow His commands, we bring peace and justice into our lives.

Mansoor: That sounds like something we must always remember, Baba.

Baba: Yes, Mansoor. It's important to always be kind, especially to those who may need our support, like widows, and to remember that Allah knows and understands all our actions. He is the most Wise and Mighty.

The Right of a Divorced Woman

Baba: Mansoor, sometimes things don't work out between two people, and they may get divorced. But did you know that even after a divorce, a woman still has rights that must be respected?

Mansoor: What do you mean, Baba? If two people aren't together anymore, why should anyone help them?

Baba: That's a great question, Mansoor. Allah has given us guidance on how to treat others, even after a divorce. He commands that divorced women should receive a provision — a gift or support — from their former husbands, according to what is fair and kind.

Mansoor: So, even if they are no longer married, the husband must give the wife something?

Baba: Yes, Mansoor. It's a duty upon those who are righteous to ensure that the divorced woman is treated kindly and with respect. The support should be given in a good way, something that shows fairness and compassion.

Mansoor: What if the husband doesn't have a lot of money? Does he still need to give something?

Baba: Yes, even if the husband is not wealthy, he should still provide what he can. The important thing is that it should be fair and in accordance with what he can afford. Allah has made it clear that this is a duty upon the righteous, which means that we should always strive to do good, even in difficult situations.

Mansoor: So, being kind and respectful, even after a divorce, is important?

Baba: Exactly, Mansoor. Allah wants us to show kindness and fairness in all situations. This provision for the divorced woman is one way of ensuring that she is not left without support and is treated with the dignity she deserves.

Mansoor: I see, Baba. It's about being fair and good to others, even when things don't work out.

Baba: That's right, Mansoor. Allah tells us to be just and to treat others with respect, especially in situations like divorce. By doing so, we bring peace and righteousness into our lives and the lives of others.

The Gift of Reason

Baba: Mansoor, do you know that Allah has given us a wonderful gift? It's called reasoning, and it helps us understand the world around us.

Mansoor: What is reasoning, Baba?

Baba: Reasoning is the ability to think carefully about something, to understand it, and make good choices. Allah gives us clear signs and guidance, like the teachings in the Qur'an, so that we can use our minds and make wise decisions.

Mansoor: So, Allah wants us to think and understand what He tells us?

Baba: Exactly, Mansoor. Allah says in the Qur'an, "Thus does Allah make clear to you His verses that you might use reason." He has made His teachings clear for us, but it's up to us to think and reflect on them.

Mansoor: That means we should understand His words, not just listen to them?

Baba: Yes, and when we understand His words, we can follow His guidance in the best way possible. We should think about how His teachings apply to our lives and make choices that please Him.

Mansoor: So, Allah wants us to use our minds to do good things?

Baba: Absolutely, Mansoor. Allah has given us the ability to think, to reason, and to reflect. By using this gift, we can live righteous lives and make decisions that are pleasing to Allah.

Mansoor: I'll try to think carefully about everything I do, Baba.

Baba: That's wonderful, Mansoor. Always remember, thinking and reflecting on Allah's guidance is the key to living wisely. When we use our reasoning, we draw closer to Him.

The Lesson of Gratitude

Baba: Mansoor, let me tell you a story about people who learned an important lesson. A long time ago, there was a group of people who were afraid of death and decided to leave their homes to escape it.

Mansoor: But, Baba, why were they afraid of death?

Baba: They were afraid because they thought they could escape death by running away from it. They left their homes in large numbers, thinking that would save them.

Mansoor: Did it work? Did they escape?

Baba: No, Mansoor. Allah said to them, "Die." They passed away, but then Allah, in His great mercy, brought them back to life. This was a clear sign that no one can escape death except by Allah's will.

Mansoor: That sounds scary, Baba. But why did Allah bring them back to life?

Baba: Allah brought them back to life to show them His mercy and power. He is the one who gives life and takes it. And even though He granted them this great favor, many of them didn't show gratitude.

Mansoor: So, even when Allah gives us a big favor, we should remember to thank Him, right?

Baba: Exactly, Mansoor. Allah is always generous and kind, but many people forget to thank Him for His blessings. We should always be grateful for everything He has given us, especially life itself.

Mansoor: I understand now, Baba. I will always thank Allah for the life He has given me.

Baba: That's wonderful, Mansoor. Gratitude is one of the most important qualities we can have. By thanking Allah, we grow closer to Him and appreciate all the blessings He has given us.

The True Struggle

Baba: Mansoor, do you know what it means to fight in the cause of Allah?

Mansoor: Hmm, I think it means to fight against bad things, right?

Baba: Yes, you're right! It's not just about fighting physical battles, but also striving against wrongdoings and spreading goodness. Allah says in the Quran, "Fight in the cause of Allah and know that Allah is Hearing and Knowing."

Mansoor: So, Baba, it's not just about fighting with swords?

Baba: Exactly, Mansoor. It's about striving to do good deeds, help others, and stand up for what is right. When you do something good, like helping a friend or speaking the truth, you are fighting in the cause of Allah.

Mansoor: And Allah hears everything we do, right?

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Baba: Yes! Allah hears everything we say and do. He knows our intentions. So when we fight in His cause, it's important that our hearts are pure, and our actions are sincere.

Mansoor: That means we should do good deeds for Allah, not to show off to others?

Baba: Exactly, Mansoor. Allah sees everything, even the things we do in secret. He knows whether our intentions are pure. And that's why we should always strive to please Him with our actions, whether big or small.

Mansoor: I will always remember that, Baba. I want to help others for Allah's sake, not for anyone else to see.

Baba: That's wonderful, Mansoor. Remember, every good action you do in Allah's cause brings you closer to Him. And He is always watching over you.

The Gift That Keeps Giving

Baba: Mansoor, have you ever heard of giving a loan to Allah?

Mansoor: A loan to Allah? How can we do that, Baba?

Baba: Allah says in the Quran, "Who is it that would loan Allah a goodly loan so He may multiply it for him many times over?" This means when we give charity or help others, it's like lending to Allah. Allah rewards that charity by multiplying it many times.

Mansoor: So, when we give, we get back even more?

Baba: Yes, Mansoor. Allah promises to reward us for every good deed, especially when we give in charity. Even if we give a little, Allah can multiply it into something much greater.

Mansoor: That sounds amazing! Can I give some of my allowance to help someone?

Baba: Of course, Mansoor. Giving, even a small amount, for the sake of Allah can bring great rewards. And Allah will always return it to you in ways you may not even expect.

Mansoor: How do we know Allah will return it?

Baba: Allah is the One who gives and withholds. Everything we have is a blessing from Him. When we give for His sake, He promises to reward us, not just in this life, but in the Hereafter too.

Mansoor: I will try my best to give more to help others. I want Allah's reward!

Baba: That's the right intention, Mansoor. Always remember, what you give for the sake of Allah is never lost. It returns to you multiplied, in this life and the next.

The Test of Sincerity

Baba: Mansoor, let me tell you a story from the time of the Children of Israel.

Mansoor: I'm listening, Baba!

Baba: After the time of Prophet Musa (Moses), the people of Israel asked their prophet to send them a king so that they could fight in the path of Allah. They were ready to defend their faith and their homes. They said, "Why should we not fight when we've been driven out of our homes and families?"

Mansoor: That sounds like they really wanted to fight! But did they?

Baba: That's right, Mansoor. At first, they seemed eager. But when the time came for them to actually fight, many of them turned away, and only a few remained true to their word.

Mansoor: So they didn't fight after all?

Baba: Exactly. They promised to fight, but when it became real, many were not willing to take action. This shows us that sometimes, when the situation becomes difficult, it's easy to say things, but hard to follow through.

Mansoor: So what does this story teach us, Baba?

Baba: It teaches us the importance of sincerity in our promises and actions. It's easy to say we will do something, especially when it sounds easy, but when the time comes to take action, we need to remain steadfast. We must always strive to keep our promises, especially when they're for the sake of Allah.

Mansoor: I understand now! It's not just about saying things, it's about doing them too.

Baba: Yes, Mansoor. Always remember, actions speak louder than words. We must be sincere in what we say and do, especially in matters of faith.